How Many Manufacturing Jobs Has New York Lost Over the Last Two Years?

The New York State Department of Labor estimates that New York State has lost more than 97,000 manufacturing jobs since 2001, a decline of 13.6%. Over a similar time frame, American imports of Chinese manufactured goods have increased by more than 25% to approximately \$123 billion dollars in 2002, according to the US Department of Commerce.

One of the main drivers of this increase in Chinese imports is the undervalued Chinese currency which makes Chinese manufactured goods cheaper than their American counterparts and results in the elimination of American manufacturing jobs. New York State is no exception. In May 2001, approximately 717,000 New Yorkers worked in the manufacturing sector while by May 2003, the number had declined to 619,000. The following report provides county-by-county estimates of manufacturing job losses in New York over the past two years, using data provided by the New York State Department of Labor and the US Census Bureau.

The Capital Region: Almost 5,000 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Capital Region over the last two years.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in 2003	Manufacturing Jobs Lost 2001-2003
Albany	10,750	9,243	1,507
Rensselaer	5,579	4,797	782
Schenectady	5,339	4,591	748
Saratoga	7,477	6,429	1,048
Fulton	3,100	2,800	300
Montgomery	1,803	1,551	252
Schoharie	1,151	990	161
Washington	3,567	3,420	147
Capital Region	38,766	33,821	4,945

Central New York: More than 7,000 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Central New

York over the last two years.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in 2003	Manufacturing Jobs Lost 2001-2003
Oneida	13,106	11,458	1,648
Oswego	7,591	6,655	936
Madison	4,328	3,794	534
Cortland	3,400	2,900	500
Onondaga	28,427	24,920	3,507
Central New York	56,852	49,727	7,125

Rochester and the Finger Lakes: More than 15,000 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from Rochester and the Finger Lakes over the last two years.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in 2003	Manufacturing Jobs Lost 2001-2003
Cayuga	5,054	4,430	623
Seneca	1,900	2,000	(gain of 100)
Yates	1,100	1,000	100
Ontario	9,226	7,810	1,417
Wayne	8,587	7,269	1,318
Monroe	67,090	56,789	10,301
Livingston	5,899	4,993	906
Schuyler	600	500	100
Tompkins	4,400	4,000	400
Rochester and the Finger Lakes	103,856	88,791	15,065

The Hudson Valley: Approximately 7,200 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Hudson

Valley over the last two years.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in 2003	Manufacturing Jobs Lost 2001-2003
Westchester	22,900	19,700	3,200
Rockland	11,800	11,500	300
Putnam	1,500	1,400	100
Dutchess	17,900	16,300	1,600
Ulster	6,400	5,700	700
Sullivan	900	1,000	(gain of 100)
Orange	10,400	9,400	1,000
Greene	800	900	(gain of 100)
Columbia	2,400	1,900	500
Hudson Valley	75,000	67,800	7,200

The North Country: More than 1,200 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the North Country over the last two years.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in 2003	Manufacturing Jobs Lost 2001-2003
Warren	3,733	3,580	153
Essex	1,200	1,100	100
Clinton	5,700	6,100	(gain of 400)
Franklin	800	800	0
Hamilton	0	0	0
St Lawrence	4,900	4,100	800
Herkimer	3,594	3,142	452
Lewis	1,400	1,300	100
Jefferson	3,000	3,000	0
North Country	24,327	23,122	1,205

The Southern Tier: Approximately 8,700 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Southern

Tier over the last two years.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in 2003	Manufacturing Jobs Lost 2001-2003
Delaware	4,200	4,200	0
Otsego	1,500	1,400	100
Chenango	4,000	3,300	700
Broome	17,632	13,741	3,892
Tioga	4,568	3,559	1,008
Chemung	7,700	6,900	800
Steuben	8,200	6,200	2,000
Allegany	2,700	2,500	200
Southern Tier	50,500	41,800	8,700

Western New York: More than 12,000 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from Western New York over the last two years.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in 2003	Manufacturing Jobs Lost 2001-2003
Orleans	4,010	3,395	616
Genesee	5,487	4,644	842
Wyoming	2,400	2,600	(gain of 200)
Erie	63,182	56,441	6,740
Niagara	14,618	13,059	1,560
Cattaraugus	5,900	5,300	600
Chautauqua	13,500	11,600	1,900
Western New York	109,097	97,039	12,058